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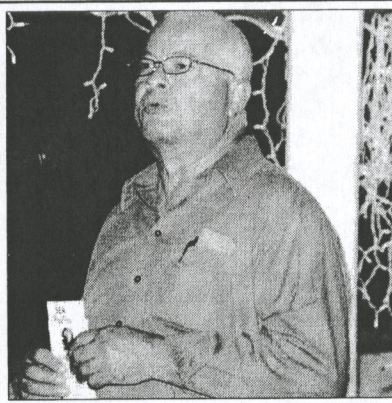
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Aruba Epilepsy Foundation opens a series of informative evenings at Nos Paraiso School



Stichting Epilepsie Aruba, SEA, was founded in 2007 to inform and educate islanders

regarding epilepsy, and in May they conducted their first successful fundraiser to

Paraiso Kindergarten in Paradera, where many parents attended, as well.

SEA was founded by Bob Nieuw of Aruba Medical Supplies, who welcomed the gathering as president of the foundation, and related his own disturbing encounter with epilepsy, which prompted him to establish the foundation. "Three years ago, my child went into the bathroom for a moment, and the next thing we knew, was on the floor having convulsions. I was devastated, I had not the slightest idea what was happening or what to do," recounted Bob of witnessing a full blown Grand Mal seizure for the first time. "Thankfully, it passed, and my child seemed fine, but the seizures continued on and off until finally, after several tests, was diagnosed with epilepsy, and we were able to obtain medication to help control it." Bob would hope to spare other parents of the panic and helplessness he felt during that time, and that perhaps if he knew what to look for, he could have noticed sooner if something was not right with his child.

"Key to helping those with epilepsy on Aruba is educating islanders to recognize the seizures for what they are," explains Bob, who is assisted in his work by SEA Board members Joe Maduro, Mily Henriquez and Pediatrician Eric Arends. SEA has begun with a program for the elementary and kindergarten

teachers, as they are in a position to notice children showing signs, before they develop into Grand Mal, as early diagnosis and treatment is important. "There is a history of the early symptoms of epilepsy going unnoticed, not only here, but everywhere," he reports, "and gross mistreatment of individuals with epilepsy, as people often mistake them for people using controlled substances. Police in the U.S. have arrested and tasered people having seizures, because they cannot answer questions and convey what is happening to them. Education and recognizing the syndrome is essential in preventing this, and what we hope to accomplish with this series of lectures."

Maryla Solognier of Aruba's White-Yellow Cross conducted the PowerPoint presentation and question and answer period afterwards. Teachers and parents were welcomed to chat with foundation members following the presentation, as nearly all have had personal experience with those having epilepsy. For more information and to be notified of upcoming presentations and fundraising events, contact SEA at telephone 593-5562. The foundation has distributed an informative flyer about recognizing epilepsy seizures, which can be found at the offices of White-Yellow Cross, drug stores and doctors' offices around the island.

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